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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116
EXPEDITED PROCESSING
EXAMINING GROUP 1806

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Birnstiel *et al.*

Serial No. 07/946,498

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For: New Protein-Polycation Conjugates

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Amendment and Response After Final

Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed May 31, 1994, a Request for a Three-Month Extension of Time, a Notice of Appeal and the requisite fee of \$1150 (\$870.00 for a Three-Month Extension of Time and \$280 for the Notice of Appeal) being filed herewith, Applicants request that the outstanding rejections be reconsidered in light of the following amendment and remarks.

Please enter the following amendment:

In the Claims:

17. (Once amended) New protein-polycation/nucleic acid complexes which are absorbed into human or animal cells, characterized in that the protein component of the conjugates is a protein capable of binding to a cell surface protein other than the transferrin